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Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form

Application No.: 09/746,782

First Named Applicant: Christer FAHRAEUS

Examiner: K. Nguyen

Art Unit: 2674

Status of Application: Final OA 2/18/04

Tentative Participants:

(1) Catherine M. Voisinet

(2) Kimnhung Nguyen

(3)

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Proposed Date of Interview: 5/24/04

Proposed Time: 2:00 p.m.

Type of Interview Requested:

(1) Telephonic(2) Personal(3) Video ConferenceExhibit To Be Shown or Demonstrated: YES NO

If yes, provide brief description:

Issues To Be Discussed

Issues (Rei, Obi, etc.)	Claims/ Fig. #s	Prior Art	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
(1) 35 U.S.C. § 103	1,16-18, 25	Brooks/Sekendur	—	—	—

 Continuation Sheet Attached

Brief Description of Arguments to be Presented:

The references, either alone or in combination, fail to teach or suggest recording the command electronically by detecting a position code arranged on a writing surface, upon which the command is written as set forth in claims 1 and 18, fail to teach detecting a command, by electronically detecting a position code as set forth in claim 16, and fail to teach writing a command symbol to perform an operation on a surface that includes a position code as set forth in claim 17. Further, references are not combinable.

An interview was conducted on the above-identified application on

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(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature)

(Examiner/SPE Signature)

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